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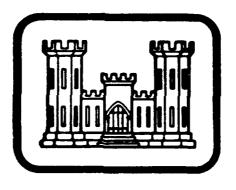


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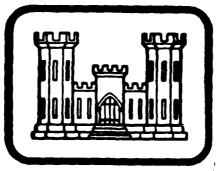
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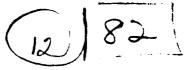
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PREFACE

This report is prepared under guidance contained in the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, for Phase I Investigations. Copies of these guidelines may be obtained from the Office of Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C. 20314. The purpose of a Phase I investigation is to identify expeditiously those dams which may pose hazards to human life or property. The assessment of the general condition of the dam is based upon available data and visual inspections. Detailed investigation, and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, testing, and detailed computational evaluations are beyond the scope of a Phase I investigation; however, the investigation is intended to identify any need for such studies.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dam is based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where the reservoir was lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability and safety of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions which might otherwise be detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam will continue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only through frequent inspections can unsafe conditions be detected and only through continued care and maintenance can these conditions be prevented or corrected.

Phase I inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established Guidelines, the spillway design flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff), or fractions thereof. The spillway design flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aid in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.

PHASE I REPORT NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION REPORT

NAME OF DAM
STATE LOCATED
COUNTY LOCATED
STREAM
DATES OF INSPECTION
COORDINATES

Roscoe Burgess Dam
Pennsylvania
Sullivan
Kings Creek
October 22, 1980
Lat: 41° 34.2' Long: 76° 37.1'

ASSESSMENT

The assessment of the Roscoe Burgess Dam is based upon visua. observations made at the time of inspection, review of available records and data, hydraulic and hydrologic computations and past operational performance.

The Roscoe Burgess Dam appears to be in fair condition. Maintenance of the dam is fair. The brush and small trees on the downstream slope and toe area of the structure should be removed. No drainline exists at the dam, which is considered a deficiency.

The Roscoe Burgess Dam is a high hazard-small size dam. The recommended spillway design flood (SDF) for a dam of this size and classification is in the range of 1/2 PMF to PMF. Based on the downstream potential for loss of life and property damage, the spillway design flood has been selected as the PMF. The spillway and reservoir are capable of controlling approximately 25% of the PMF without overtopping the embankment low spot. Based on criteria established by the Corps of Engineers, the spillway is termed inadequate, but not seriously inadequate.

The following recommendations and remedial measures should be instituted immediately.

- 1. A detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analysis should be conducted by a registered professional engineer knowledgeable in dam design and construction to increase the spillway capacity.
- 2. The brush and small trees on the downstream slope of embankment and in the area of the toe should be removed under the direction of a registered professional engineer knowledgeable in dam design and construction to insure that the removal of the vegetation does not seriously affect the stability of the structure.

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- 3. No reservoir drain exists for the structure. This is considered a deficiency and some means, with an upstream control, should be provided to drain the reservoir should the need arise to do so.
- 4. A warning system should be developed to warn downstream residents of imminent failure of the dam.
- 5. A regularly scheduled maintenance program should be planned and implemented at the dam.
- 6. A safety inspection program should be implemented with inspections at regular intervals by qualified personnel.

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Colonel, Corps of Engineers

District Engineer



Overview of Roscoe Burgess Dam.

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PHASE I NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM

ROSCOE BURGESS DAM NDI. I.D. NO. PA 357 DER I.D. NO. 57-37

SECTION 1 PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 General.

- a. <u>Authority</u>. The National Dam Inspection Act, Public Law 92-367, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a program of inspection of dams throughout the United States.
- b. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of the inspection is to determine if the dam constitutes a hazard to human life or property.

1.2 Description of Project.

a. Dam and Appurtenances. The Roscoe Burgess Dam is an earthfill dam, 264 feet long and 17 feet high. The crest width of the dam is 12 feet. The upstream and downstream slopes of the dam are 2H:1V. The upstream slope of the dam is protected with riprap, and the downstream slope of the dam is grass covered and contains considerable brush and small trees. A gravel roadway exists across the crest of the dam.

The spillway for the dam is located at the left abutment. The spillway is a rectangular structure with a weir length equal to 31.5 feet. The control section for the spillway consists of a semi-sharp crested weir. A 13 foot long concrete apron with an endsill is beyond the control section. Large boulders are located beyond the end sill and serve to protect the spillway channel from erosion due to discharges from the spillway. A concrete wingwall exists along the right edge of the spillway, and a wooden bridge spans the spillway crest area. The wooden bridge is supported by four wooden columns located near the center of the span.

- b. Location. The dam is located on Kings Creek, approximately 4 miles north of the Village of Estella, Elkland Township, Sullivan County, Pennsylvania. The Roscoe Burgess Dam can be located on the Overton, U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle.
- c. <u>Size Classification</u>. The Roscoe Burgess Dam is a small size dam (17 feet high, 318 acre-feet).

- d. <u>Hazard Classification</u>. The Roscoe Burgess Dam is a high hazard dam. Downstream conditions indicate that loss of more than a few lives is probable should the structure fail. The Village of Estella is located approximately 4 miles downstream of the dam.
- e. Ownership. The Roscoe Burgess Dam is owned by Mr. Roscoe Burgess. Correspondence should be addressed to:

Mr. Roscoe Burgess
R.D. #1
Forkville, Pennsylvania 18616
717/924-3555

- f. Purpose of Dam. The dam is utilized for recreational purposes.
- g. Design and Construction History. Based on information contained in the PennDER files, a member of the Fish Commission first located the structure on April 7, 1948. Subsequent correspondence between the Fish Commission and the Water and Power Resources Board indicated that no permit had been issued for the construction of the dam. In April, 1948, Mr. Burgess was contacted by appropriate state officials and was asked to submit plans and other pertinent information to the Board.

Later correspondence in the file indicates that the dam was completed in 1947. The length of the reservoir and embankment were estimated at 1,000 feet and 500 feet, respectively. It was reported at this time that no permit was requested since it was understood that the drainage area was significantly less than 1/2 square mile.

In January, 1949, an application was made by Mr. Burgess requesting that a permit be issued for his dam. The report on the application indicated that the dam was only partially constructed. The structure was to have a total length of 300 feet and a maximum height of 16 feet. During March, 1949, the Department of Forest and Waters received a letter regarding the Roscoe Burgess Dam. It was reported in the letter that the dam had failed and that a considerable amount of property damage had occurred due to the failure. No loss of life was associated with the failure. During April, 1949, the structure was inspected by an engineer from the Water and Resources Board. As a result of the inspection it was suggested that Mr. Burgess retain an engineer to prepare plans for the structure. No information relative to the reported failure was contained in the inspection memorandum. Construction of the present dam was completed late 1951. The engineer who designed the dam was Mr. Jesse S. Ritchey of Wellsboro, Pennsylvania. A construction survey was completed by Mr. Samuel R. Kirkland, a registered surveyor from Laporte, Pennsylvania. Drawings relative to the structure appear in Appendix E of this report. No information relative to the actual construction of the dam was available.

h. <u>Normal Operating Procedures</u>. No operations are conducted at the dam. Normal inflow to the reservoir is maintained at the spillway crest elevation.

1.3 Pertinent Data.

a. Drainage Area.

1.61 square miles

b. Discharge at Dam Site (cfs).

Maximum flood at dam site	Unknown
Spillway capacity at top of dam	1060 cfs

c. Elevation (U.S.G.S. Datum) (feet). - Field survey based on the spillway crest elevation, 1672.0 feet from drawings. See Appendix E, page E-5.

Top of dam - low point	1676.7
Top of dam - design height	1676.0
Pool at time of inspection	1671.5
Spillway crest	1672.0
Maximum pool - design surcharge	Unknown
Normal pool	1672.0
Maximum tailwater	Unknown
Toe of dam	1659.5

d. Reservoir (feet).

Length of	maximum pool	(PMF)	2700
Length of	normal pool		1900

e. Storage (acre-feet).

Normal pool	(spillway	crest)	105
Top of dam			318

f. Reservoir Surface (acres).

Top of dam	65
Normal pool	28.5
Spillway crest	28.5

g. Dam.

Type Earthfill Length (including spillway) 264 feet Height 17 feet Top width 12 feet Side slopes - upstream 2H: 1V - downstream 2H: 1V Zoning None Impervious core None Cutoff Vone Grout curtain None

h. Reservoir Drain. (None)

i. Spillway.

Type Semi-sharp crest
Length 31.5 feet
Crest elevation 1672.0
Upstream channel Lake
Ownstream channel Kings Creek

SECTION 2 ENGINEERING DATA

- 2.1 <u>Design</u>. Review of available information in the files of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Resources, revealed that some correspondence, permit information, design drawings, and pictures were available for review. Drawings relative to the design of the Roscoe Burgess Dam are located in Appendix E of this report.
- 2.2 Construction. No information exists regarding the construction of the dam.
- 2.3 Operation. No operations are conducted at the dam.

2.4 Evaluation.

- a. Availability. Engineering data were provided by the PennDER, Bureau of Dams and Waterway Management. The owner of the dam, Mr. Roscoe Burgess, was interviewed to obtain data relative to the dam. Mr. Burgess did not supply any additional information.
- b. Adequacy. This Phase I Report is based on the visual inspection and hydrologic and hydraulic analysis. Sufficient information exists to complete a Phase I Report.

SECTION 3 VISUAL INSPECTION

3.1 Findings.

- a. <u>General</u>. The onsite inspection of the Roscoe Burgess Dam was conducted by personnel of L. Robert Kimball and Associates on October 22, 1980. The inspection consisted of:
 - ly Visual inspection of the retaining structure, abutments and toe.
 - 2, Examination of the spillway facilities, exposed portion of any outlet works and other appurtenant works.
 - Observations affecting the runoff potential of the drainage basin.
 - 4. Evaluation of the downstream area hazard potential.
- b. <u>Dam</u>. The dam appears to be in fair condition. From a brief survey conducted during the inspection, it was noted that the low area on the crest of the dam was located at the right abutment. Riprap was observed on the upstream slope of the structure approximately 2 feet above the waterline at the time of inspection. A roadway was observed to exist across the entire length of the embankment. The downstream slope of the dam was covered with small trees and brush. The brush on the downstream slope hampered attempts at close visual inspection of the slope and toe area.
- c. Appurtenant Structures. The spillway for the dam is located at the left abutment of the structure. A wooden bridge was observed which spans the spillway crest. A concrete sidewall is present along the right edge of the spillway. A cutoff wall exists perpendicular to the right spillway channel wall. The control section for the spillway is a semi-sharp crested structure. A concrete stilling basin exists below the control section with an endsill at the downstream end of the stilling basin. Large boulders were observed in the channel immediately below the spillway. The boulders are used to protect the channel immediately below the spillway from erosion. The spillway is a near rectangular section. Four wooden columns exist at the spillway approach and are utilized to support the wooden bridge which spans the spillway crest area. No spillway approach wingwalls were observed at the structure. The spillway appeared to be in fair condition and adequately maintained. No drainline was observed existing at the dam.

- d. Reservoir Area. The watershed is covered almost entirely with forested lands. The reservoir slopes are moderate and do not appear to be susceptible to landslides which would affect the storage volume of the reservoir or overtopping of the dam by displacing water.
- e. <u>Downstream Channel</u>. The downstream channel for the Roscoe Burgess Dam consists of Kings Creek. The Village of Estella is located approximately 4 miles downstream of the dam. The population of the village is approximately 50 people. Route 154 passes through the Village of Estella and crosses Kings Creek at the Village.
- 3.2 Evaluation. In general, the dam and appurtenant structures appear to be in fair condition. No major erosion areas were observed during the inspection. No seepage was observed along the downstream slope of the structure or along the toe area. Dense brush exists along the downstream slope of the structure and hampered attempts at close visual inspection of the downstream slope and toe area. The brush and small trees on the downstream slope and in the area of the toe of the dam should be removed under the direction of a registered professional engineer. Once the slope and toe area are cleared, the area should be reinspected to verify that no seepage existed at the structure.

No drainline was observed at the structure. This is considered a deficiency and some means should be provided to drain the reservoir.

SECTION 4 OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

- 4.1 Procedures. The reservoir is maintained at the spillway crest elevation. No other procedures are conducted at the dam.
- 4.2 Maintenance of the Dam. No planned maintenance schedule exists for the dam. Maintenance of the dam is performed by the owner on an unscheduled, as-needed basis. Small trees and brush exist on the downstream slope and toe area of the structure. The small trees and brush should be cleared from the slope and toe area.
- 4.3 Maintenance of Operating Facilities. No operating facilities exist at the structure. Normal inflow to the reservoir is discharged through the spillway at the left abutment. No erosion was observed at the approach to the spillway.
- 4.4 Warning System in Effect. There is no warning system in effect to warn downstream residents of imminent failure of the dam.
- 4.5 Evaluation. Maintenance of the dam is considered fair. Brush and small trees have been allowed to grow on the downstream slope of the structure. The brush and small trees should be removed from the downstream slope and toe area to enable close inspection of the slope and toe area for possible seepage.

An emergency action plan should be available for every dam in the high and significant category. Such plans should outline actions to be taken by the operator to minimize downstream effects of an emergency and should include an effective warning system. No emergency action plan has been developed, and the owner should develop such a plan.

SECTION 5 HYDRAULICS AND HYDROLOGY

5.1 Evaluation of Features.

- a. Design Data. Limited information relative to the hydraulic design of the spillway were available for review. Available information contained in the DER files indicates that a design discharge capacity of 1500 cfs was considered for the structure. The design capacity was associated with a spillway crest length of 35 feet and an available head of 5 feet. It is apparent that the design capacity is less than that recommended by current guidelines.
- b. Experience Data. No rainfall, runoff or reservoir level data were available. The spillway reportedly has functioned adequately in the past.
- c. <u>Visual Observations</u>. The spillway appeared to be in fair condition and adequately maintained. No erosion of the spillway approach was observed during the inspection, but the potential exists for erosion of the earthen embankment at the right of the spillway approach.

The low spot on the embankment crest was observed to exist at the right abutment of the structure.

d. Overtopping Potential. Overtopping potential was investigated through the development of the probable maximum flood (PMF) for the watershed and the subsequent routing of the PMF and fractions of the PMF through the reservoir and spillway.

The Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, has directed that the HEC-1 Dam Safety Version systemized computer program be utilized. The program was prepared by the Hydrologic Engineering Center (HEC), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Davis, California, July, 1978. The major methodologies or key input data for this program are discussed briefly in Appendix D.

- 5.2 <u>Evaluation Assumptions</u>. To complete the hydraulic and hydrologic analysis for this structure, it was necessary to make the following assumptions.
- 1. Pool elevation in the reservoir prior to the storm was assumed to be at the spillway crest elevation, 1672.0.
- 2. The top of dam was considered to be the low spot elevation at the right abutment, 1676.7.

- 3. The control section at the spillway was considered as exhibiting the characteristics of a semi-sharp crested weir. The crest elevation was considered to be a constant elevation along its entire length. The spillway was considered to be rectangular section for the purposes of this analysis.
- 5.3 Summary of Overtopping Analysis. Complete summary sheets for the computer output are presented in Appendix D.

Peak inflow (PMF) Spillway capacity 5800 cfs 1060 cfs

a. Spillway Adequacy Rating. The Spillway Design Flood (SDF) is based on the hazard and size classification of the dam. The recommended spillway design flood for a dam of this size and classification is in the range of 1/2 PMF to PMF. Based on the potential for loss of life and property damage, the spillway design flood has been selected as the PMF. Based on the following definition provided by the Corps of Engineers, the spillway is rated as inadequate as a result of our hydrologic analysis.

Inadequate - All high hazard dams which do not pass the spillway design flood (PMF).

The spillway and reservoir are capable of controlling approximately 25% of the PMF without overtopping the embankment.

5.4 Summary of Dam Breach Analysis. The analysis indicates the subject dam cannot satisfactorily pass 50% of the PMF, it was necessary to perform the dam breach analysis and downstream routing of the flood wave. This analysis determined the degree of increased flooding and due to dam failure. A pool elevation of 1678.0 was considered as sufficient to cause failure of the dam due to overtopping.

Results of the dam breach analysis indicate that the downstream potential for loss of life and property damage is not significantly increased by dam failure from that which existed just prior to the failure. Therefore, the spillway is rated as inadequate, but not seriously inadequate. Details of the downstream routing of the flood wave are included in Appendix D.

SECTION 6 STRUCTURAL STABILITY

6.1 Evaluation of Structural Stability.

a. <u>Visual Observations</u>. No visible deficiencies were observed on the embankment which would affect the stability of the structure. No erosion was observed on the embankment crest or slopes. No seepage was observed during the inspection. The downstream slope and toe area of the structure were covered with small trees and brush which hampered attempts at close visual inspection of the slope and toe area. The small trees and brush should be removed from the slope and toe area, and the area reinspected to verify that no seepage exists at the structure.

The spillway appeared to be in fair condition and adequately maintained. No visible deficiencies were observed at the structure which would affect the discharge capability of the structure. It was observed during the inspection that no protection exists along the embankment at the approach to the spillway. During periods of large discharges at the spillway the potential exists for erosion of the right edge of the spillway approach. This erosion could cause damage to the embankment in the area of the spillway.

- b. Design and Construction Data. No information was available in the DER files relative to the construction of the dam. The existing dam appears to have been the result of design modifications to an original structure which existed in 1948. The design modifications culminated in the subsequent completion of the original structure. The modifications to the design of the present structure were completed by Mr. Jesse S. Richey, an engineer from Wellsboro, Pennsylvania. The construction of the dam was apparently completed under the direction of the owner, and the construction was completed sometime in late 1951.
 - c. Operating Records. No operating records exist for the dam.
- d. <u>Post Construction Changes</u>. No post construction changes are known to have occurred since construction of the dam was completed in 1951.
- e. <u>Seismic Stability</u>. The dam is located in seismic zone l. No seismic stability analyses has been performed. Normally, it can be considered that if a dam in this zone is stable under static loading conditions, it can be assumed safe for any expected earthquake loading. Since no signs of instability were noted during the inspection, the Roscoe Burgess Dam is assumed to be safe for earthquake loading.

SECTION 7 ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS/REMEDIAL MEASURES

7.1 Dam Assessment.

a. <u>Safety</u>. The dam appears to be in fair condition and fairly well maintained. No erosion was observed on the embankment crest or slopes. No seepage was observed on the downstream slope of the dam or along the toe area.

The potential for erosion exists on the embankment in the area of the spillway approach. No spillway approach wingwall exists at the structure at this location. No erosion in the area was observed during the inspection but during periods of increased inflow to the reservoir the potential for large discharges at the spillway include the potential for erosion of the embankment at the approach to the spillway. No drainline exists for the reservoir which is considered a defficiency.

The visual observations, review of available data, hydrologic and hydraulic calculations and past operational performance indicate that the Roscoe Burgess Dam is capable of controlling approximately 25% of the PMF. If the low spot on the embankment crest adjacent to the right abutment were filled to an elevation consistent with the remaining portion of the crest, no significant increase in the storage and discharge potential of the spillway and reservoir would be realized. The spillway is termed inadequate.

- b. Adeqacy of Information. Sufficient information is available to complete a Phase I report.
- c. <u>Urgency</u>. The recommendations suggested below should be implemented as soon as possible
- d. <u>Necessity for Further Investigation</u>. In order to accomplish some of the recommendations/remedial measures outlined below, further investigations will be required by a professional engineer knowledgeable in dam design and construction.

7.2 Recommendations/Remedial Measures.

- 1. A detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analysis should be conducted by a registered professional engineer knowledgeable in dam design and construction to increase the spillway capacity.
- 2. The brush and smull trees on the downstream slope of embankment and in the area of the toe should be removed under the direction of a registered professional engineer knowledgeable in dam design and construction to insure that the removal of the vegetation does not seriously affect the stability of the structure.

- 3. No reservoir drain exists for the structure. This is considered a deficiency and some means, with an upstream control, should be provided to drain the reservoir should the need arise to do so.
- 4. A warning system should be developed to warn downstream residents of imminent failure of the dam.
- 5. A regularly scheduled maintenance program should be planned and implemented at the dam.
- 6. A safety inspection program should be implemented with inspections at regular intervals by qualified personnel.

APPENDIX A
CHECKLIST, VISUAL INSPECTION, PHASE I

CHECK LIST VISUAL INSPECTION PHASE I

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RECORDER

O.T. McConnell

EMBANKMENT

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS					
OBSERVATIONS	None noted.	None noted.	None noted.	Appears to be all right.	None.
VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	SURFACE CRACKS	UNUSUAL MOVEMENT OR CRACKING AT OR BEYOND THE TOE	SLOUGHING OR EROSION OF EMBANKMENT AND ABUTMENT SLOPES	VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL ALIGNMENT OF THE CREST	RIPRAP FAILURES

EMBANKMENT

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
VEGETATION	Brush and small trees exist on the downstream slope of the dam and along the area of the toe.	The brush and trees should be be removed from the embankment slope and toe area.
JUNCTION OF EMBANKMENT AND ABUTHENT, SPILLWAY AND DAM	The low spot on the embankment crest was observed to exist at the right abutment of the the dam. It was observed that the potential for erosion of the embankment exists at the spillway approach.	
ANY NOTICEABLE SEEPAGE	No seepage observed. The downstream slope and toe area of the structure were covered with vegetation which hampered attempts at close visual inspection of the slope and toe.	Brush and small trees should be removed and the slope and toe area reinspected to verify that no seepage exists.
STAFF GAUGE AND RECORDER	None.	
DRAINS	None.	

CONCRETE/MASONRY DAMS

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
ANY NOTICEABLE SEEPAGE	Not applicable.	
STRUCTURE TO ABUTMENT/EMBANKMENT JUNCTIONS	Not applicable.	
DRAINS	Not applicable.	
WATER PASSAGES	Not applicable.	
FOUNDATION	Not applicable.	

CONCRETE/MASONRY DAMS

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
SURFACE. CRACKS CONCRETE SURFACES	Not applicable.	
STRUCTURAL CRACKING	Not applicable.	
VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL ALIGNMENT	Not applicable.	
MONOLITH JOINTS	Not applicable.	
CONSTRUCTION JOINTS	Not applicable.	
STAFF GAUGE OR RECORDER	Not applicable.	

OUTLET WORKS

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
CRACKING AND SPALLING OF CONCRETE SURFACES IN OUTLET CONDUIT	Not applicable.	
INTAKE STRUCTURE	Not applicable.	
OUTLET STRUCTURE	Not applicable.	
OUTLET CHANNEL	Not applicable.	
EMERGENCY GATE	Not applicable.	

UNGATED SPILLWAY

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
CONCRETE WEIR	The spillway appeared to be in fair condition and fairly well maintained. No deficiencies were observed in the area of the spillway which would affect the discharge potential of the spillway.	
APPROACH CHANNEL	The potential for erosion of the embankment in the area of the approach exists.	
DISCHARGE CHANNEL	The discharge channel is clear of any debris and appears capable of discharging flows from the spillway.	
BRIDGE AND PIERS	A wooden bridge exists across the area of the spillway. Wooden piers support the bridge near mid-span.	

GATED SPILLWAY

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
CONCRETE SILL	Not applicable.	
APPROACH CHANNEL	Not applicable.	
DISCHARGE CHANNEL	Not applicable.	
BRIDGE AND PIERS	Not applicable.	
GATES AND OPERATION EQUIPMENT	Not applicable.	

DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL

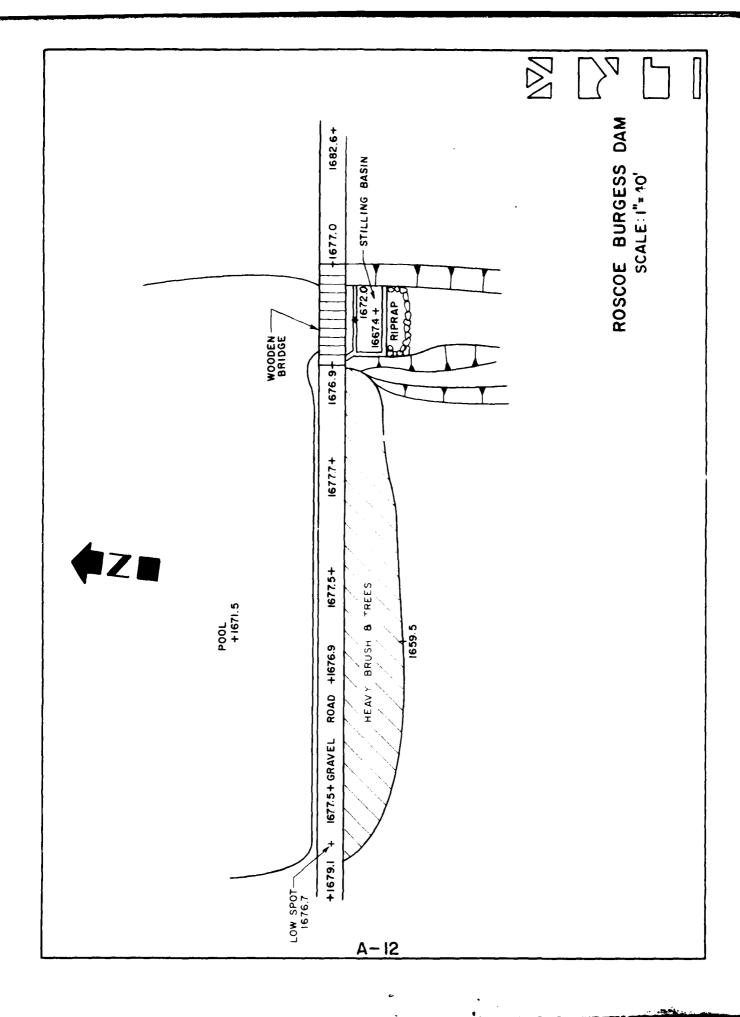
VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
CONDITION (OBSTRUCTIONS, DEBRIS, ETC.)	The spillway discharge channel for the Roscoe Burgess Dam consists of Kings Creek. No obstructions or debris were observed in the channel.	
SLOPES	Appear to be stable.	
APPROXIMATE NO. OF HOMES AND POPULATION	The Village of Estella is located approximately 4 miles downstream of the dam. The population of the village is estimated at approximately 50 people.	

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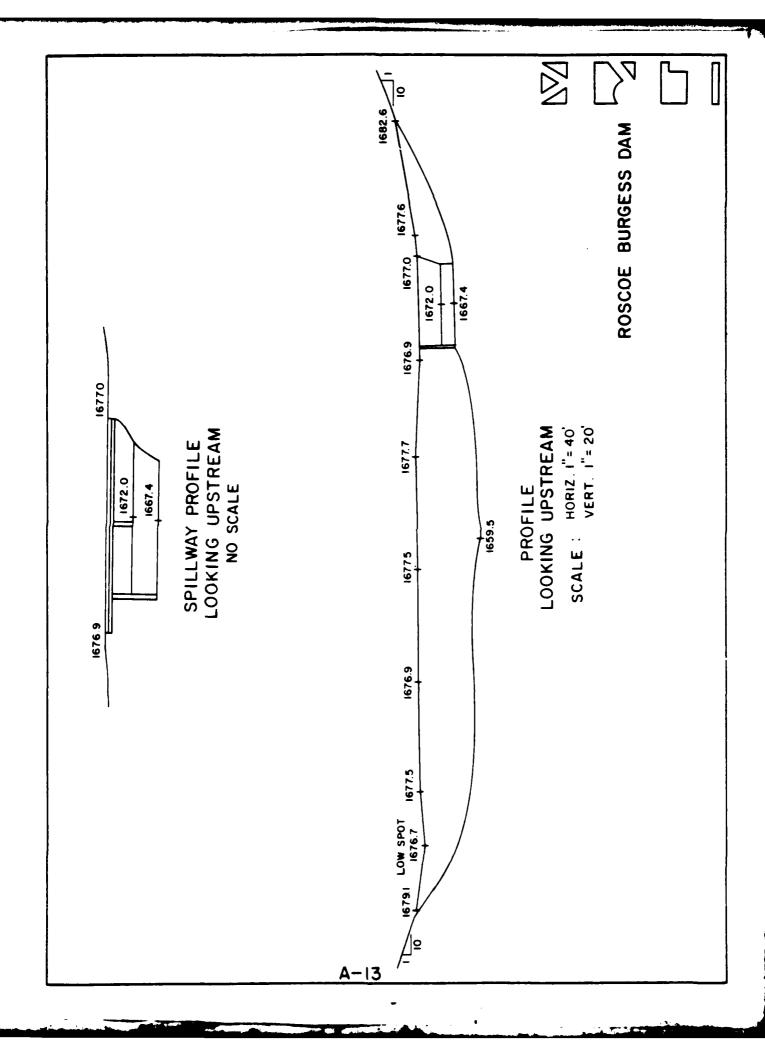
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SLOPES			
SEDIMENTATION	Unknown.		

INSTRUMENTATION

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
MONUMENTATION/SURVEYS	None.	
OBSERVATION WELLS	None.	
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PIEZOMETERS	None.	
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APPENDIX B
CHECKLIST, ENGINEERING DATA, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, PHASE I

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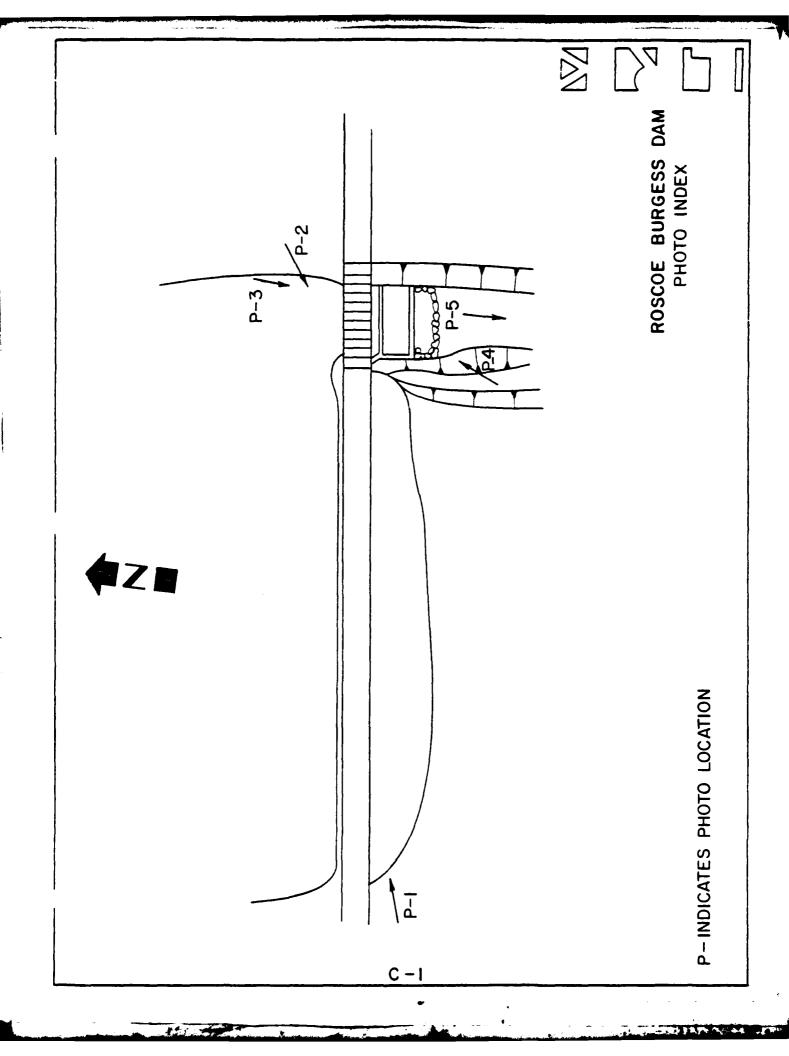
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	wall	REMARKS
	AS-BUILT DRAWINGS	None.
B-1	REGIONAL VICINITY MAP	U.S.G.S. quadrangle.
	CONSTRUCTION HISTORY	Limited information available in DER files.
	TYPICAL SECTIONS OF DAM	See Appendix E.
	OUTLETS - PLAN - DETAILS - CONSTRAINTS - DISCHARGE RATINGS RAINFALL/RESERVOIR RECORDS	See Appendix E. See Appendix E. None.

REMARKS	Unknown.	Unknown.	DESIGN COMPUTATIONS HYDROLOGY & HYDRAULICS DAM STABILITY SEEPAGE STUDIES	Mone. BORING RECORDS LABORATORY FIELD	None known to have occurred.	I'nknown.

ITEM	REMARKS
MONITORING SYSTEMS	None.
MODIFICATIONS	None known to exist since construction of the structure.
HIGH POOL RECORDS	None.
POST CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING STUDIES AND REPORTS	None known to exist.
PRIOR ACCIDENTS OR FAILURE OF DAM DESCRIPTION REPORTS	None known to have occurred since construction of the dam was completed in 1951.
MAINTENANCE OPERATION RECORDS	None.

APPENDIX C PHOTOGRAPHS



ROSCOE BURGESS DAM PA 357

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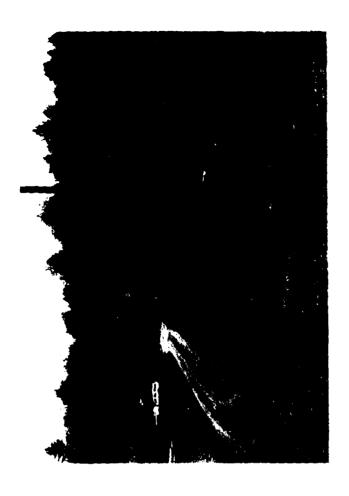
- (1) Upper left View of the embankment crest and downstream slope. View towards the left abutment.
- (2) Upper right View of the crest and upstream slope.
 View towards the right abutment.
- (3) Lower left Spillway approach. Note the wooden bridge which spans the spillway crest.
- (4) Lower right View of the spillway crest.

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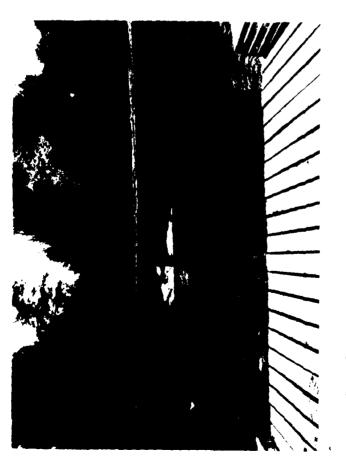
- (5) Upper left Discharge channel.
- (6) Upper right Downstream exposure.

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APPENDIX D
HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULICS

APPENDIX D HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULICS

Methodology. The dam overtopping and breach analyses were accomplished using the systemized computer program HEC-1 (Dam Safety Investigation), September, 1978, prepared by the Hydrologic Engineering Center, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Davis, California. A brief description of the methodology used in the analysis is presented below.

1. Precipitation. The Probable Maximum Precipitation (PMP) is derived and determined from regional charts prepared from past rainfall records including "Hydrometeorological Report No. 33" prepared by the U.S. Weather Bureau.

The index rainfall may be reduced from 10% to 20% depending on watershed size by utilization of what is termed the HOP Brook adjustment factor. Distribution of the total rainfall is made by the computer program using distribution methods developed by the Corps.

2. <u>Inflow Hydrograph</u>. The hydrologic analysis used in development of the overtopping potential is based on applying a hypothetical storm to a unit hydrograph to obtain the inflow hydrograph for reservoir routing.

The unit hydrograph is developed using the Snyder method. This method requires calculation of several key parameters. The following list gives these parameters their definition and how they were obtained for these analysis.

Parameter	Definition	Where Obtained
Ct	Coefficie t representing variations of watershed	From Corps of Engineers*
L	Length of main stream channel miles	From U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute topgraphic
Lca	Length on main stream to centroid of watershed	From U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute topographic
Cp	Peaking coefficient	From Corps of Engineers*
A	Watershed size	From U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute topographic

^{*}Developed by the Corps of Engineers on a regional basis for Pennsylvania.

3. Routing. Reservoir routing is accomplished by using Modified Plus routing techniques where the flood hydrograph is routed through reservoir storage. Hydraulic capacities of the outlet works, spillways and the crest of the dam are used as outlet controls in the routing.

The hydraulic capacity of the outlet works can either be calculated and input or sufficient dimensions input, and the program will calculate an elevation discharge relationship.

Storage in the pool area is defined by an area - elevation relationship from which the computer calculates storage. Surface areas are either planimetered from available mapping or U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute series topographic maps or taken from reasonably accurate design data.

- 4. <u>Dam Overtopping</u>. Using given percentages of the PMF, the computer program will calculate the percentage of the PMF, which can be controlled by the reservoir and spillway without the dam overtopping.
- 5. Dam Breach and Downstream Routing. The computer program is equipped to determine the increase in downstream flooding due to failure of the dam caused by overtopping. This is accomplished by routing both the pre-failure peak flow and the peak flow through the breach (calculated by the computer with given input assumptions) at a given point in time and determining the water depth in the downstream channel. Channel cross-sections taken from U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute topographic maps were used in the downstream flood wave routing. Pre and post failure water depths are calculated at locations where cross-sections are input.

HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULICS ANALYSIS DATA BASE

NAME	OF	DAM:	Roscoe	Burgess	Dam
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PROBABLE	MAX IMUM	PRECIPITATION	(PMP) =	22.2	(0.98) =	21.76	inches
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(square miles)	1.61		
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(square miles)	1.61		
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Drainage Area (%) ⁽¹⁾ 6 hours	117		
12 hours	127		
24 hours	136		
48 hours	143		
72 hours	145		
Snyder Hydrograph			
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Spillway Data			
Crest Length (ft)	31.5		
Freeboard (ft)	4.7		
Discharge Coefficient	3.3		
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⁽¹⁾ Hydrometeorological Report 40 (Figure 1), U.S. Weather Bureau and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1965.

⁽²⁾ Hydrological zone defined by Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, for determining Snyder's coefficients (Cp and Ct).

⁽³⁾ Snyder's Coefficients.

(4) L=Length of longest water course from outlet to basin divide.

Lca=Length of water course from outlet to point opposite the centroid of drainage area.

CHECK LIST HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC ENGINEERING DATA

DRAINAGE AREA CHARACTERISTICS: 1.61 sq.mi
ELEVATION TOP NORMAL POOL (STORAGE CAPACITY): 1672.0 [105 ac-ft]
ELEVATION TOP FLOOD CONTROL POOL (STORAGE CAPACITY): 1676.7 [318 ac-ft]
ELEVATION MAXIMUM DESIGN POOL: 1676.0
ELEVATION TOP DAM: 1676.7
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a. Elevation1672.0
h Type Semi-sharn crest
c. Width Crest length=31.5 feet
d. Length Approximately 25 feet
e. Location Spillover Left abutment
f. Number and Type of Gates None
OUTLET WORKS:
a. TypeNone
b. Location None
c. Entrance inverts None d. Exit inverts None
d. Exit invertsNone
e. Emergency drawdown facilities <u>None</u>
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a. Type
b. Location None
c. RecordsNone
MAXIMUM NON-DAMAGING DISCHARGE: Unknown

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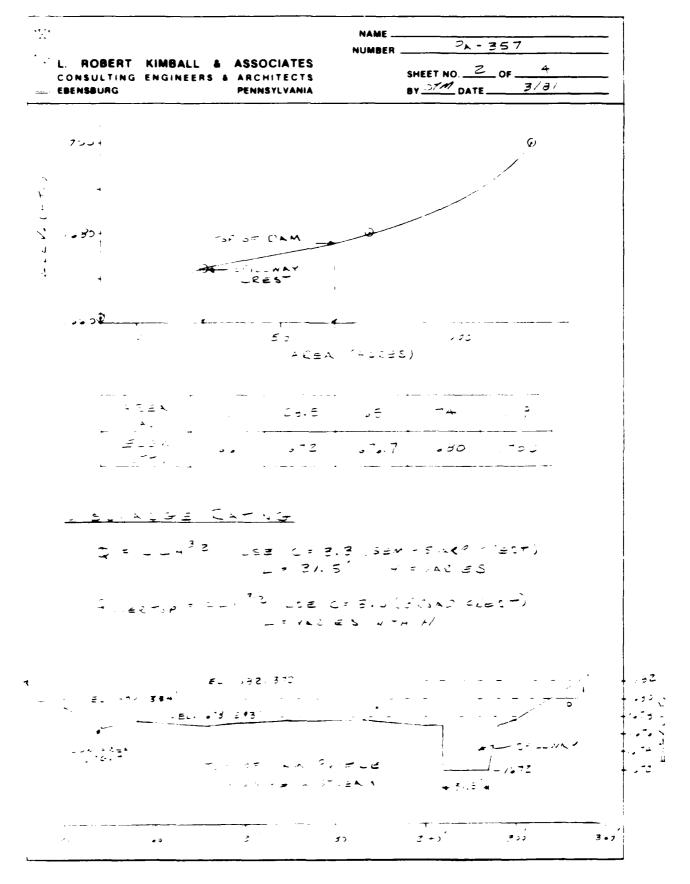
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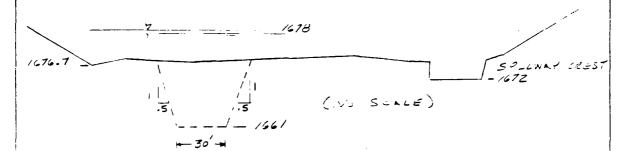
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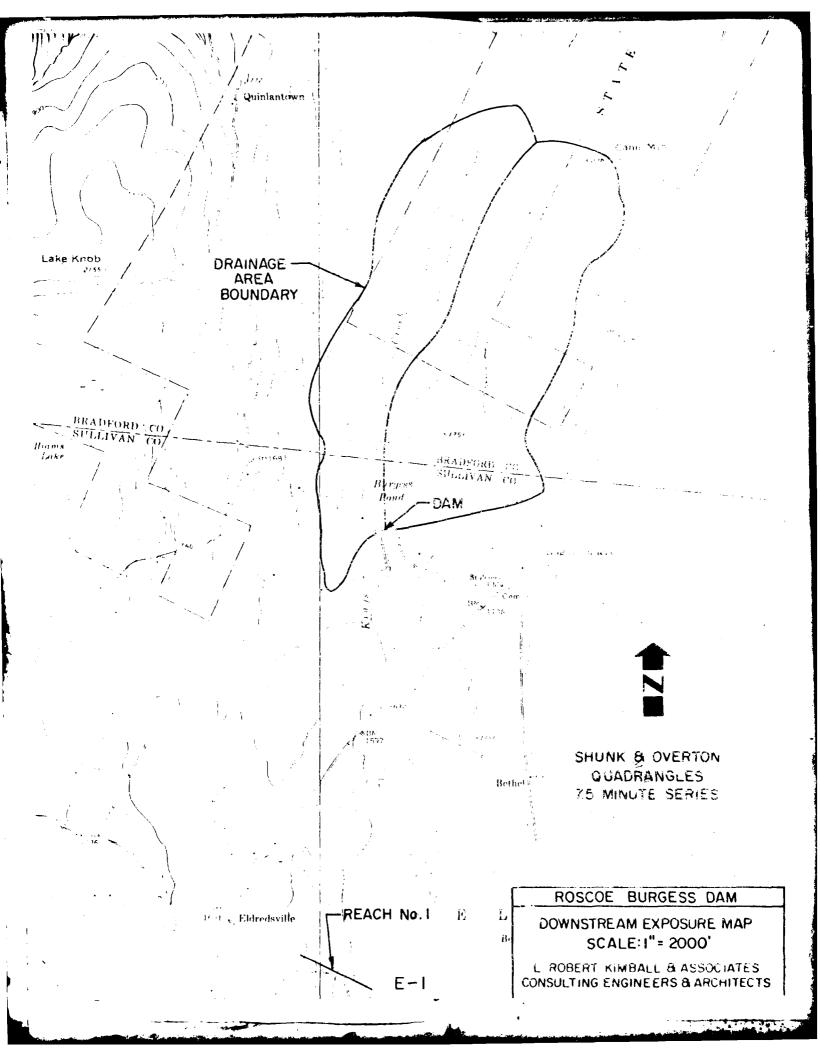
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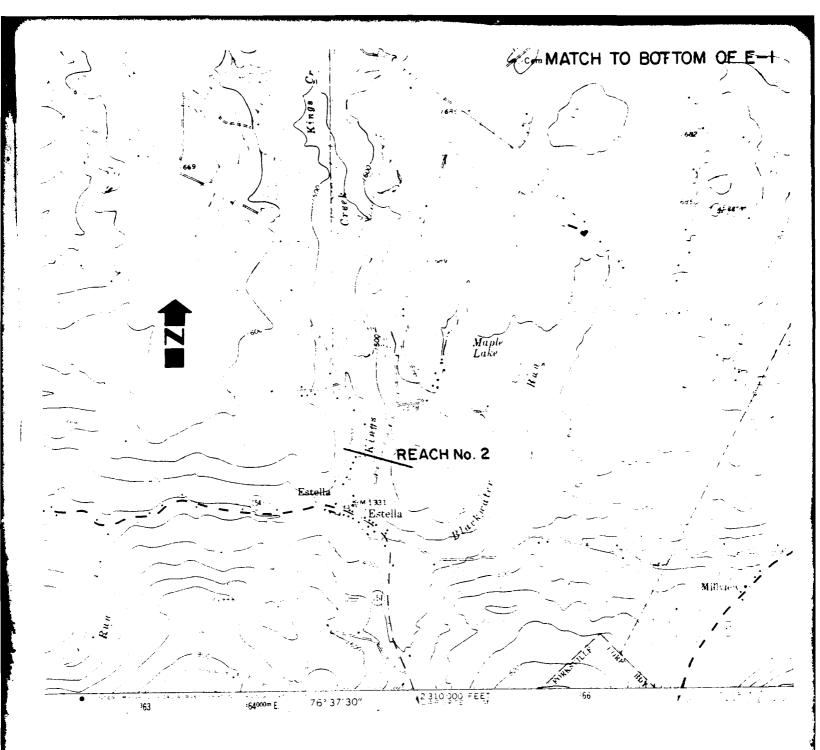
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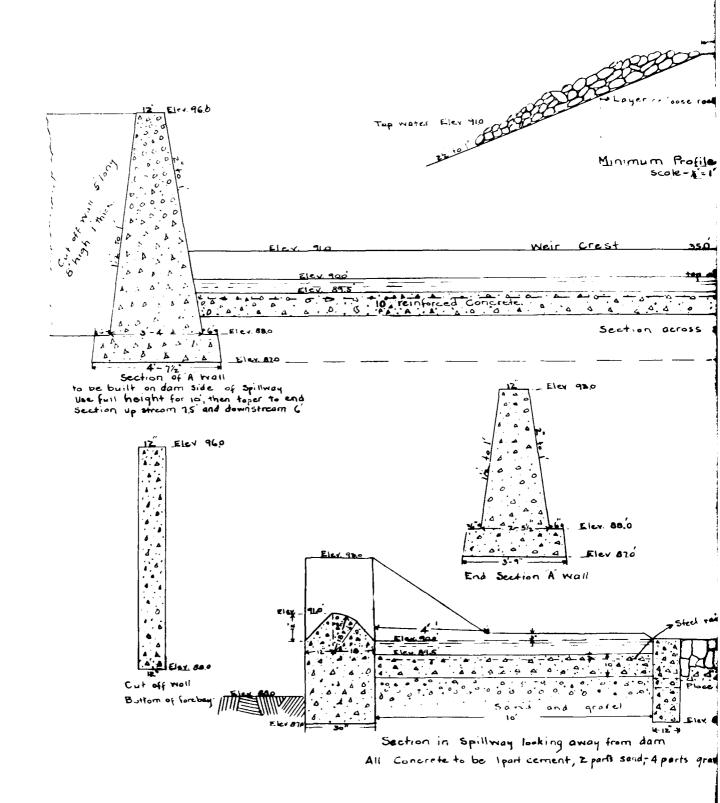
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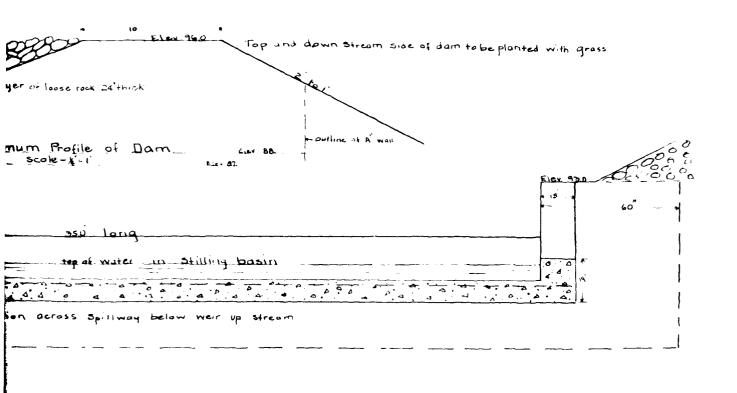
APPENDIX E DRAWINGS





LOCATION PLAN REACH No. 2





Area wooded watershed 1.25 sq.mi. Probable Maximum runoff 1150 sec.ft.

Flow in spillway "Kutters Formula" n.oz s.oz R.zo water za'deep = 1485 sec.ft.

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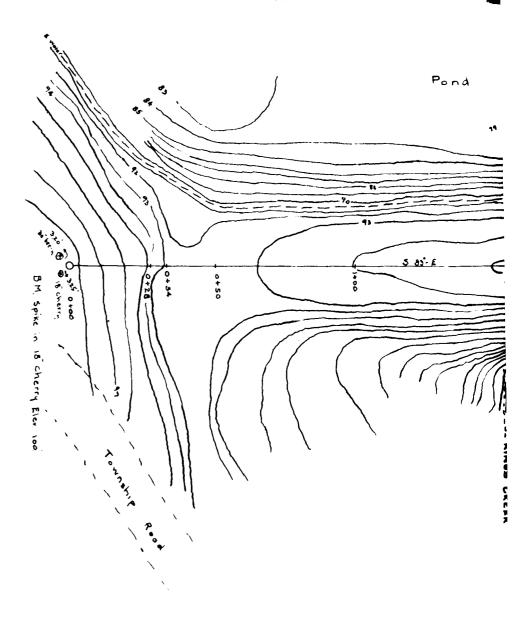
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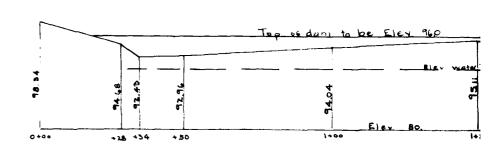
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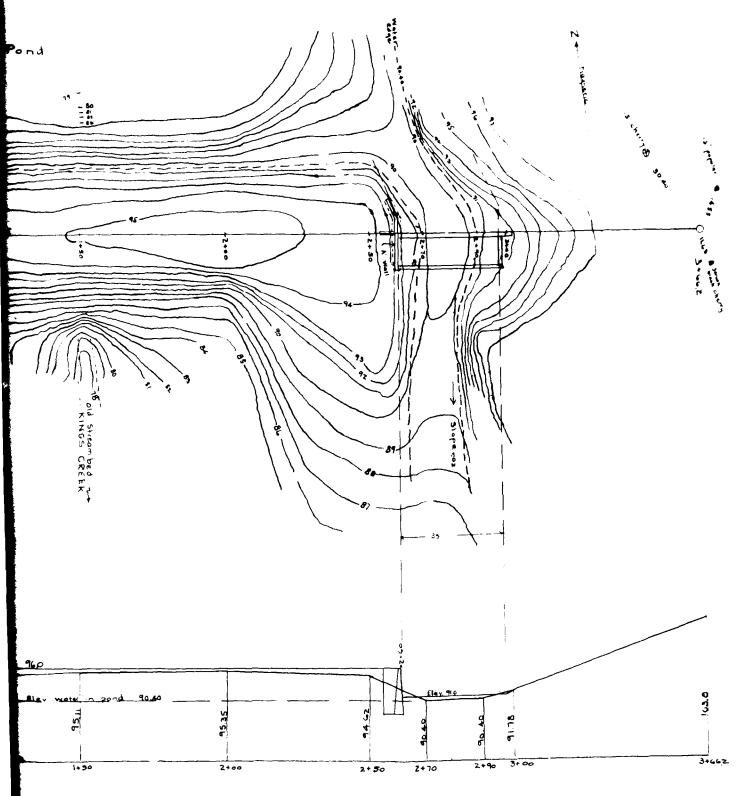
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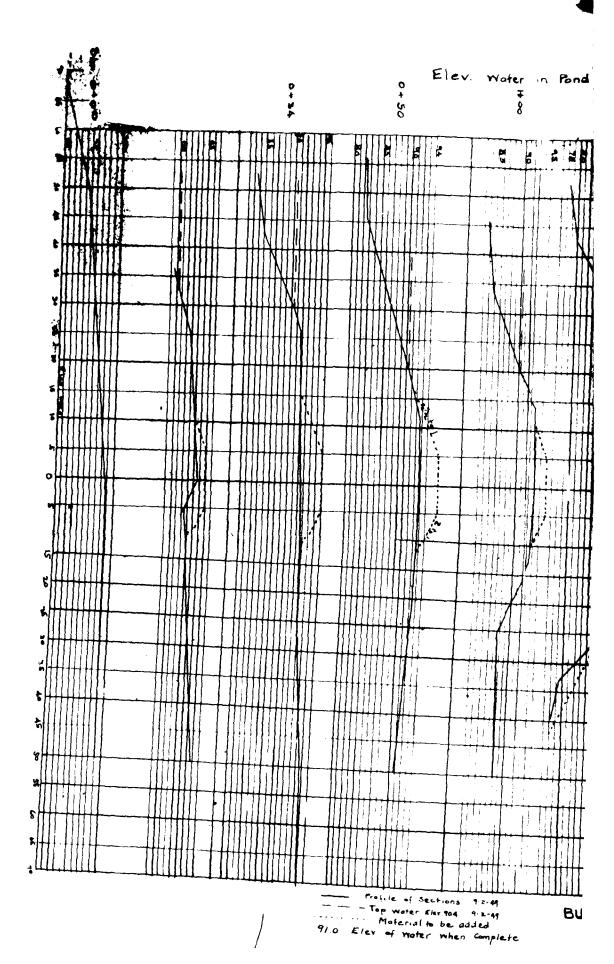


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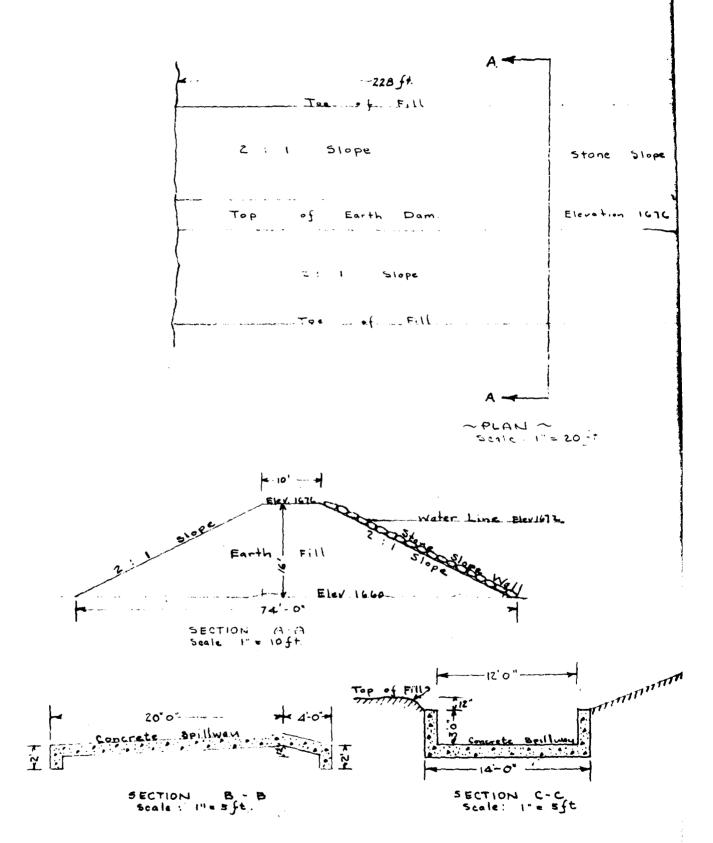
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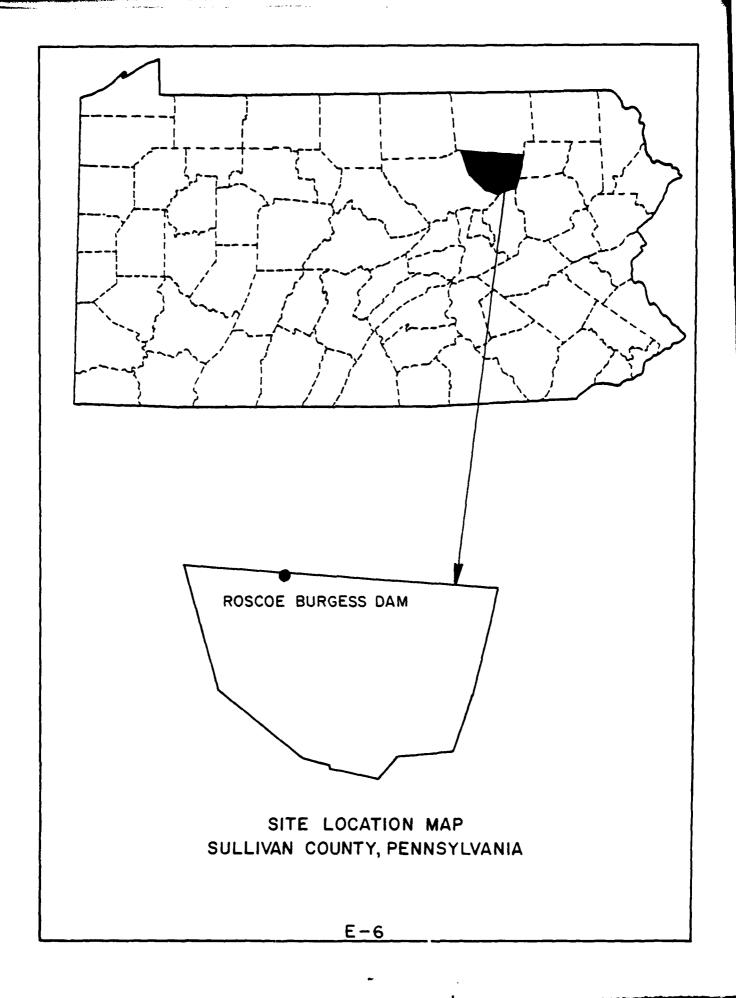


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PLAN OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION
OF AN EARTH DAM AND A CONCRETE
SPILLWAY. TO BE CONSTRUCTED
FOR ROSCOE BURGESS.
SITUATED IN ELKLAND TOWNSHIP.
SULLIVAN COUNTY, PA.
SCALE AS SHOWN ON PLAN.
SAMUEL R. KIRKLAND
REGISTERED SURYEYOR
LAPORTE, PA. JULY 16, 1949.



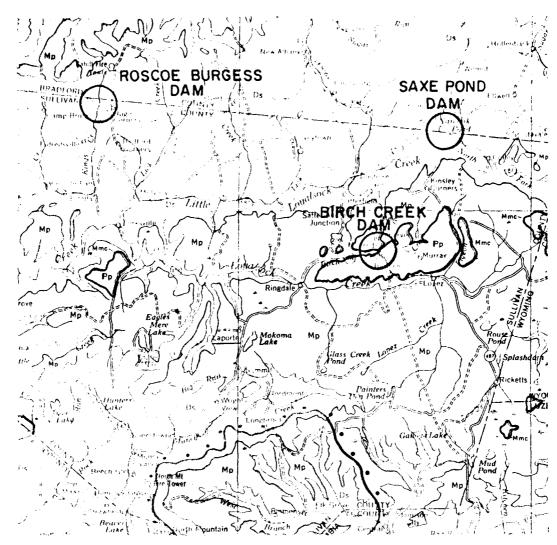
APPENDIX F GEOLOGY

General Geology

The Roscoe Burgess Dam is located in the (Glaciated) Low Plateaus Section of the Appalachian Plateau Province, near the boundary of the Allegheny High Plateaus Section. The surface is dissected, leaving remanants of what was once the high plateau. The region was covered by the Wisconsin glacier, which has left abundant evidence of its previous existence in the form of many small glacial lakes, marshes, and moraines. Deposits of glacial outwash are the most productive water-bearing materials in the area.

The bedrock underlying the dam consists of sandstones, shales, and graywackes of the Susquehanna Group of Upper Devonian Age. This group is divided into three formations, the Oswayo Formation (youngest), the Catskill Formation, and the Marine Beds (oldest), which include the 'Chemung' and 'Portage' beds. The Roscoe Burgess Dam lies on the Catskill side of the Catskill/Chemung contact.

These strata strike to the northeast and dip to the northwest. This strutural nature is due to the dam being located on a common limb of the Barclay Syncline to the northwest and Wilmot Anticline to the southeast. The geologic structure is typical of the Plateaus province, where the principal folds trend northeast. No major faulting is indicated in the vicinity of the Roscoe Burgess Dam.



GEOLOGIC MAP OF AREA AROUND SAXE POND DAM, ROSCOE BURGESS DAM AND THE BIRCH CREEK DAM

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